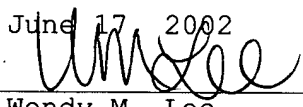


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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed 12/19/01, reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for a 3 month extension of time and the requisite fee are submitted herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 1, line 7 with the following:

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--This is a divisional of application serial number 08/615,369 filed March 14, 1996, now U.S. Patent 6,267,958 issued July 31, 2001, which claims priority under §119(e)(1) to provisional application number 60/029,182 filed July 27, 1995, [all] both of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.